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SUMMARY

ON THE PRC DOMESTIC SCENE, THE RAHABILITATION OF FORMER PARTY SECRETARY GENERAL AND ANY RESOLUTION WHICH DOES NOT ATTACK FEDAYEEN. PRESS EDITORIALS ON UNSC DEBATE PLACE RESPONSIBILITY ON UN FOR NOT ENFORCING ME RESOLUTIONS (AHRAM) OR SUGGEST THE USE OF SANCTIONS AGAINST STATES WHICH DO NOT CARRY OUT RESOLUTIONS (AKHBAR).

3. PRESS REPORTS THAT PEOPLE' S ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE MEETS APRIL 18 TO DISCUSS QUESTION OF " POPULAR MOBILIZATION," AND DISTRIBUTION OF BURDENS OF THE BATTLE. MOCK RAIDS WERE REPORTEDLY CONDUCTED IN SEVERAL LOWER EGYPT GOVERNORATES APRIL 17, WILL BE CARRIED OUT IN UPPER EGYPT NEXT WEEK. IN LONG ARTICLE APRIL 17, AKHBAR REMINDS READERS THAT, ACCORDING TO NEW ORDER BY DEPUTY MILITARY GOVERNOR MININT SALEM, ALL BUILDINGS MUST HAVE AIR RAID SHELTERS.

4. SENATOR FULBRIGHT RECEIVES PLAUDITS IN CAIRO' S APRIL 17 PRESS FOR RECENT REMARKS ON ME. AKHBAR HAS SPECIAL APPEAL ON PAGE ONE, ASKING ITS READERS TO WRITE SENATOR LETTERS OF THANKS AND GIVING CORRECT CAPITOL HILL ADDRESS.

5. APRIL 17 PRESS REPORTS THAT, ACCORDING TO HAFEZ GHANEM, DRAFT CONSTITUTION OF EGYPT/ LIBYA MERGER STATE HAS BEEN FINALIZED, AND WILL BE REFERRED TO UNIFIED POLITICAL COMMAND. GHANEM ADDED THAT ALL MERGER COMMITTEES WILL COMPLETE THEIR

WORK IN LATE APRIL.

6. APRIL 18 PRESS REPORTS THAT ARAB TRANSPORT
WORKERS FEDERATION HAS DRAFTED PLAN AIMED AT
URGING INTERNATIONAL AIRLINES TO BOYCOTT ISRAEL.
ACCORDING TO GUMHURIYYA, PLAN IS ALSO AIMED AT
EXPELLING ISRAEL FROM ICAO.

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PREMIER CHOU EN- LAI HOSTED A GALA BANQUET ON APRIL 12 TO WELCOME PRINCE SIHANOUK BACK TO PEKING. IN HIS SPEECH, CHOU CONDEMNED US MILITARY ACTIVITIES, WHILE SIHANOUK STRESSED THE UNITY AND AUTONOMY OF THE LIBERATION FORCES AND HINTED AT THE POSSIBILITY OF TALKS WITH THE GKR (HK 3642). TO MARK THE TRADITIONAL CAMBODIAN NEW YEAR ON APRIL 13, THE PRINCE HOSTED A RECEPTION IN PEING DURING WHICH HE SHOWED A FILM OF HIS ALLEGED TRIP TO THE " LIBERATED ZONE." FOLLOWING THE RECEPTION, SIHANOUK HELD A TWO AND ONE- HALF HOUR PRESS CONFERENCE FOR 150 FOREIGN AND CHINESE CORRESPONDENTS, DURING WHICH HE EXPOUNDED ON THE UNITY OF HIS UNITED FRONT, ON THE " EXCELLENT SITUATION" IN THE LIBERATED AREAS, AND ON THIRD WORLD SUPPORT FOR HIS REGIME. HE TOOK PAINS TO DENY THAT NORTH VIETNAMESE FORCES WERE FIGHTING IN CAMBODIA OR THAT HIS WAS AN EXILE GOVERNMENT. THE ROYAL GOVERNMENT, HE SAID, " IS LOCATED IN THE LIBERATED ZONE" IN THE CARE OF KHIEU SAMPHAN AND THE OTHER INSURGENT LEADERS. HE ALSO MADE IT CLEAR THAT HIS SIDE WOULD NEVER ACCEPT A CEASEFIRE AND WOULD NEGOTIATE WITH THE US ONLY TO END " US INTERFERENCE" AND NOT FOR A CEASEFIRE (NCNA APRIL 13). SIHANOUK AND HIS ENTOURAGE WENT OFF TO NORTH KOREA FOR A BRIEF " STATE VISIT" ON APRIL 14 AND RETURNED TO PEKING ON APRIL 17.

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9. LAOS- VIETNAM --

A DELEGATION FROM THE LAO PATRIOTIC FRONT, LED BY STANDING COMMITTEE MEMBER NOUHAK PHOUMSAVAN, ARRIVED IN PEKING ON PARIL 16 (NCNA). VICE PREMIER LI HSIEN- NIEN LED THE CHINESE GREETERS AND HOSTED A BANQUET THAT EVENING. IN HIS SPEECH, I PRAISED THE LPF FOR ITS " GREAT VICTORIES" BUT FOCUSED MAINLY ON THE IMPORTANCE OF THE LAOTIAN PEACE AGREEMENT AND THE " NEW HISTORICAL STAGE" WHICH IT

OPENS. HE CONSPICUOUSLY OMITTED ANY DIRECT REFERENCE TO THE RLG, BUT LAMENTED THE OBSTACLES " LAID BY DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN REACTIONARY FORCES." NOUHAK WAS LESS DELICATE, DENOUNCING THE US AND THE " VIENTIANE REACTIONARY FORCE" FOR ALLEGEDLY SEEKING TO OBSTRUCT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AGREEMENT. MEANWHILE, MADAME BINH, THE PRG SVN FOREIGN MINISTER, MET WITH PREMIER CHOU AND ATTENDED A BANQUET HOSTED BY FOREIGN MINISTER CHI PENG- FEI ON APRIL 11, THEN LEFT FOR NORTH KOREA THE FOLLOWING DAY (NCNA).
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THE ADVANCE PARTY TO OPEN THE PRC LIAISON OFFICE IN WASHINGTON, LED BY DEPUTY CHIEF HAN HSU, LEFT PEKING ON APRIL 15 (NCNA).
IN ANOTHER SYMBOLIC STEP, THE CONGEN' S DEPUTY PRINCIPAL OFFICER DAVID DEAN BECAME THE FIRST AMERICAN DIPLOMAT FROM HONG KONG TO VISIT THE PRC WHEN HE ATTENDED THE OPENING OF THE CURRENT CANTON FAIR ON APRIL 15. ALSO THIS WEEK, OFFICIALS OF THE PRC- OWNED SHIPPING LINE, FAR EAST ENTERPRISE CORPORATION (FARENCO) CALLED THE CONSULATE TO DISCUSS THEIR PLANS TO VISIT US PORT CITIES TO ARRANGE FOR DIRECT SHIPPING SERVICES TO THE PRC VIA THIRD COUNTRY FLAG VESSELS.(BEING REPORTED SEPTEL).
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11. NORTH KOREA --

A DELEGATION FROM THE NORTH KOREAN NEWSPAPER RODONG SINMUN ARRIVED IN PEKING ON APRIL 15 AND MET WITH PREMIER CHOU AND OTHERS ON APRIL 16. EARLIER, PEKING HAD SENT A LETTER TO NORTH KOREA SUPPORTING PYONGYANG' S LATEST PROPOSALS ON PEACEFUL REUNIFICATIONS (NCNA APRIL 12). THE LETTER, ISSUED IN THE NAME OF THE PRC GOVERNMENT AND THE NATIONAL PEOPLE' S CONGRESS TO THEIR NORTH KOREAN COUNTERPARTS, PRAISED PYONGYANG' S INITIATIVES IN PROMOTING PEACEFUL REUNIFICATION AND SAID THAT SUCH EFFORTS ARE " CONDUCIVE TO THE RELAXATION OF TENSION IN ASIA." THE LETTER SAID: " AT PRESENT THE MOST PRESSING PROBLEM IS TO TERMINATE FOREIGN INTERFERENCE IN KOREAN INTERNAL AFFAIRS." IT CHARGED THE US WITH OBSTRUCTING REUNIFICATION AND WITH UNJUSTIFIABLY KEEPING TROOPS IN SOUTH KOREA, EVEN AFTER THE NORTH- SOUTH DIALOGUE HAD BEGUN. THE US, IT SAID, " SHOULD" WITHDRAW, AND THE UNCURK " MUST" BE DISSOLVED. A PEOPLE' S DAILY EDITORIAL (APRIL 11) MADE THE SAME POINTS IN HAILING THE RESULTS OF THE SECOND SESSION OF THE DPRK' S FIFTH SUPREME PEOPLE' S ASSEMBLY HELD APRIL 5- 10 . THE EDITORIAL SUMMARIZED PYONGYANG' S FIVE- POINT PROPOSAL TO HELP BRING ABOUT " MUTUAL RECONCILIATION" AND DENOUNCED ALLEGED

SOUTH KOREAN RELUCTANCE, " UNDER THE AEGIS OF THE US," TO MOVE
FORWARD MORE RAPIDLY, ASSERTING: " GET RID OF FOREIGN INTERFERENCE
AND LET THE KOREAN PEOPLE SOLVE
THEIR OWN PROBLEMS THEMSELVES-- THIS IS THE KEY TO THE PEACEFUL
REUNIFICATION OF KOREA." PEKING
ALSO STRONGLY ENDORSED PYONGYANG' S DEMAND TO BE INVITED FOR ANY
UN DISCUSSION OF THE KOREA QUESTION. NCNA HAD EARLIER CARRIED
HEAVY INDIRECT REPORTING ON THE ASSEMBLY SESSION, INCLUDING
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